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Attorney Docket No.

10546/55603

First Inventor

Russel F. DURGIN

Title

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR COMPRESSING BODY TISSUE

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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See 37 CFR 1.27.

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- Claim(s)
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Computer Program (Appendix)

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10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement [] Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)

11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 [] Copies of IDS
Citations

13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment

14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
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☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: **09/443,219**

Prior application information: Examiner **G. Jackson**

Group / Art Unit **3731**

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	710.00
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					\$710.00